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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 17, 2006, election is hereby made as discussed below in the Remarks section. Please amend the claims as follows: